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Attorney General John Ashcroft US Department of Justice 950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW Washington, DC 20530

Dear Mr. Ashcroft:

I am glad to see that the Microsoft case is coming to a close. I believe that you should settle the case pursuant to the terms of the agreement you reached with Microsoft in November 2001.

This settlement agreement provides you not only with the chance to bring a close to the federal government's case, but also to help the economy in the process.

Microsoft's agreement to discontinue a number of its more restrictive business practices should have a positive impact on the computer and software sector of the economy. The agreement to allow competition from non-Microsoft software within Windows is of particular importance because it could provide immediate opportunities for designers and developers of non-Microsoft software products.

I hope you approve the settlement and close this case as soon as the law allows. Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

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